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Applicant(s): Stefan SANNER )  
Serial No.: 09/446,323 )  
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For: DEVICE FOR TAKING AND EXAMINING SAMPLES  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Group Art Unit: 1743  
Examiner: Patricia Bex

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a TWO-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 11 December 2001, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 11 March 2001 to 11 May 2002. Because 11 May 2002 falls on a Saturday, the request is effective for a carryover to 13 May 2002, the next business day.

Please charge DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 13-4895 in the amount of \$200 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895.

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The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR §1.10 on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.
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